

To whom it may concern,

It has been brought to my attention that The National Association of Broadcasters (N.A.B.) has been using it's political influence on Congress and the F.C.C. to try and limit XM Sattelite Radio's abillity to provide us with "locally oriented" content, which include the new XM Instant Traffic and Weather channels. I believe that the First Ammendment of the United States of America has been trampled, stretched, and pulled on enough in 2004. XM Sattelite radio has every right in this free nation to broadcast these programs and as paid subscribers we have the right to receive it.

N.A.B. has always felt threatened by any new technological advance that has been made and has been widely received into American homes and automobiles. Starting in the early 40's N.A.B. tried to unsuccessfully pull the plug and end televison and then in the 70's do exactly the same thing to F.M. radio. Both of these inventions have been cornerstones to our society. In this day and age it is time for us to take a step forward and not multiple steps back just because certain individuals refuse to compete, and improve their services they want the government to bully a new and innovative form of technology by destroying the uniqueness of sattelite radio. This is a company that has followed the rules set before it from the day of it's inception. The issue at hand is the freedom of consumer choice and and the freedoms that we enjoy protected by our First Ammendment right. I am writing today to resppectfully request that the F.C.C. reject, decline and dispatch N.A.B.'s petition 04-160 and that the F.C.C. embrace and show it's support for a new innovative creation such as XM Sattlelite Radio and their ability to provide the kind of programming that we subscribers not only demand but deserve as well. Thank you so much for your time and attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Robert Schiff